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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

These drawings replace the previously filed drawings. No new matter has been added.

Figure 4 has been amended to correct a reference numeral.

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REMARKS

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the detailed remarks and the allowabilty of claims 4-10 and 12-13. Claim 1 was amended to include the limitation of allowable claim 7 which has been canceled. Claims 5, 6, 12, and 13 were amended into independent form and are allowable. Claims 8-11 and 14-16 have been amended and claim 7 has been canceled. New claims 17-27 are presented. Accordingly, claims 1-3, 11, and 14-27 are pending.

Claims 11 and 14-16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by *Strehlow* (6,480,609). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. The Examiner suggests that the force generators of *Strehlow* are struts 2, 3, 4, 5 with piezoelectric actuators which use electrical power taken indirectly from the engines. *Strehlow* recites at column 4, lines 27-30: "In the embodiments of FIGS. 2, 3, 4 and 5, the vibrations imposed on the struts by the piezoactuators are effective longitudinally and transversely of the struts for noise suppression." *Strehlow* fails to disclose or suggest that the force generator is mechanically driven as recited in amended claims 11 and 14. That is, the Examiner admits the generators of *Strehlow* are *indirectly* driven by *electrical* power, which is not a mechanical driving force. The amended claims are properly allowable.

New claims 17-27 recite further features of the present invention which are neither disclosed nor suggested by the cited references and are thus properly allowable.

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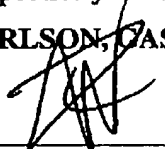
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Applicant respectfully submits that this case is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a teleconference will facilitate moving this case forward to being issued, Applicant's representative can be contacted at the number indicated below.

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